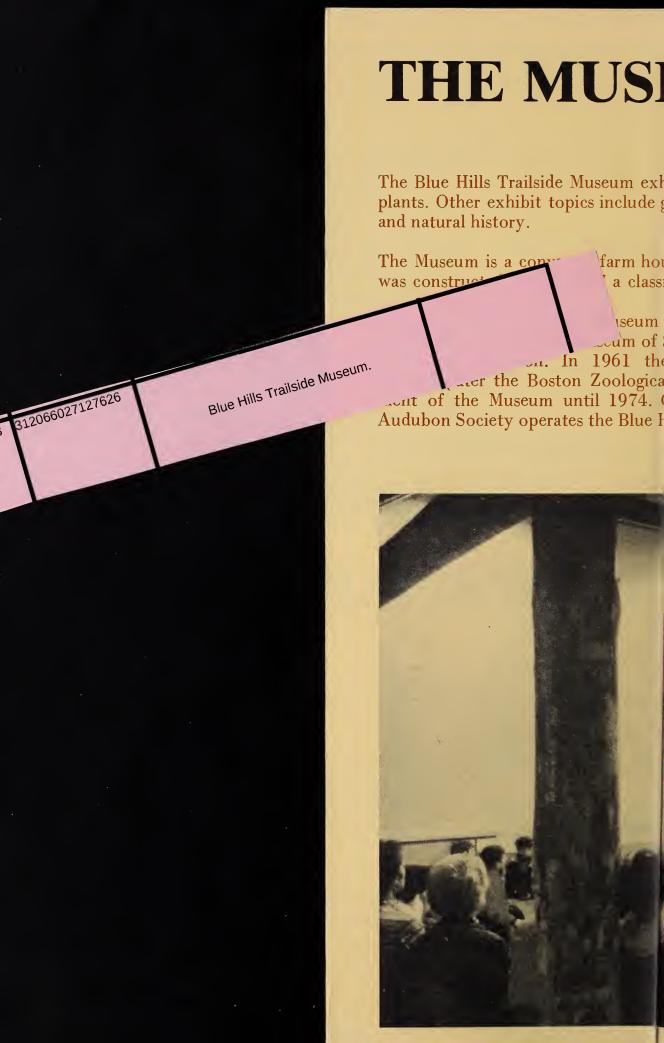
BLUE HILLS TRAILSIDE **MUSEUM**



THE MUSEUM

The Blue Hills Trailside Museum exhibits live native animals and plants. Other exhibit topics include geology, archaeology, energy and natural history.

The Museum is a converted farm house. In 1959, the exhibit hall was constructed and in 1977 a classroom auditorium was added.

The Blue Hills Trailside Museum opened in 1959 and was operated by the Boston Museum of Science for the Metropolitan District Commission. In 1961 the Massachusetts Zoological Society (later the Boston Zoological Society) assumed management of the Museum until 1974. Currently the Massachusetts Audubon Society operates the Blue Hills Trailside Museum.















THE PROGRAMS

The Blue Hills Trailside Museum is Nature under a roof and the "welcome mat" to the Blue Hills. It serves as an inducement to use the natural world — the reservation.

Interpretive programs are offered to the public, especially for schools, groups, and families. These include Trailside Treks, Story Hours, Woodland Walks, Night Hikes, Courses, Movies, Lectures, Care of Injured Wildlife, and special events such as Maple Sugaring, May Day, Honey Harvest, and Indian Summer Days.

Museum publications include a quarterly program newsletter, a guide for school and group visits, trail maps and information, and program materials.

Other museum facilities are group meeting rooms for up to 200 people and a gift shop of nature-related books, crafts, and gifts.



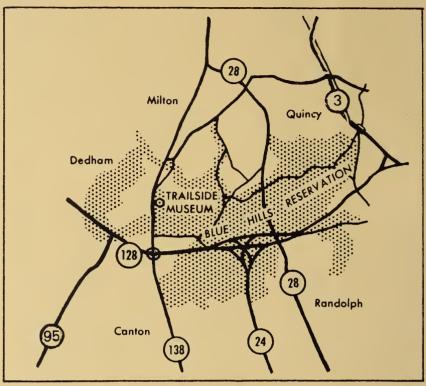
Operated by the Massachusetts Audubon Society for the Metropolitan District Commission to interpret the Blue Hills Reservation, a National Environmental Study Area











DIRECTIONS — The Blue Hills Trailside Museum is located on the Western edge of the Blue Hills Reservation at the foot of Great Blue Hill, on Route 138, 1.6 km (1 mile) north of Route 128 (exit 64N).

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION — Take MBTA Red line to Mattapan Square. Change to bus marked either Canton or Stoughton; Bus does not run on Sundays. For more information, call either Brush Hill Transportation at 436-4100 or the MBTA at 722-3200.

HOURS — Open all year, Tuesday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Open Monday state holidays. Closed New Year's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

ADMISSION – Adults 50¢ and children 25¢. Under 3 free.

FREE PARKING

For information about group tours, exhibits, programs, courses and special events, please call.

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